



By Mail Voting Regulations (T.C.A. § 2-6-201)

If you are unable to appear at your polling place on ELECTION DAY or during the EARLY VOTING PERIOD, you may request a By-Mail (absentee) ballot for the following reasons:

Please note: Anyone who registers to vote by- mail, must vote in person the first time he or she votes after registering. (T.C.A. § 2-2-115 (b) (7))

1. The voter will be outside the county during all hours for early voting and Election Day (must include address outside county to mail absentee ballot);
2. The voter or the voter's spouse is enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited college or university located inside Tennessee but outside of the county where I am registered;
3. The voter's licensed physician has filed a statement with the county election commission stating that, in the physician's judgment, the voter is medically unable to vote in person. This statement must be filed not less than five (5) days before the election and signed under the penalty of perjury;
4. The voter resides in a licensed facility providing relatively permanent domiciliary care, other than a penal institution, outside the voter's county of residence;
5. The voter will be unable to vote in person due to service as a juror for a federal or state court;
6. The voter is sixty (60) years of age or older;
7. The voter has a physical disability and an inaccessible polling place;
8. The voter is hospitalized, ill, or physically disabled and because of such condition, cannot vote in person;
9. The voter is a caretaker of person who is hospitalized, ill or disabled;
10. The voter is a candidate for office in the election for which I am applying to vote absentee by mail;
11. The voter serves as an Election Day official or as member or employee of the election commission;
12. The voter's observance of a religious holiday prevents him or her from voting in person during early voting or on Election Day;
13. The voter possesses a valid commercial driver's license and certifies that he or she will be working outside the county of registration during the hours for early voting and all day on election day, and have no specific out-of-county or out-of-state address to receive mail during this time (please include a copy of valid commercial drivers license);
14. The voter is a member of the military, or is family member to member of the military or is an overseas citizen. Log on to www.fvap.gov or www.state.tn.us/sos/election/ for more information.

IF YOU QUALIFY AND YOUR REQUEST CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, A BALLOT WILL BE MAILED TO YOU: NAME, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (to identify you), RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS IN THIS COUNTY, DATE OF BIRTH, YOUR REASON FOR VOTING BY MAIL, THE ELECTION YOU WISH TO VOTE IN (include political party preference if voting in a primary election), THE ADDRESS WHERE WE ARE TO MAIL THE BALLOT OUT OF THE COUNTY (if needed or required by your reason for voting by mail) AND YOUR SIGNATURE.

****A person who knowingly makes or consents to any false entry on any official registration or election document commits a Class D felony** (T.C.A. § 2-19-109)**

If your request is incomplete, an official application must be mailed to you and returned to our office before a ballot request can be processed. To vote absentee you must mail or fax us your request for an absentee ballot no earlier than ninety (90) days prior to Election Day. Requests can be accepted no later than seven (7) days before Election Day. You may mail, email (must contain your signature) or fax your request.

A SEPARATE REQUEST MUST BE MADE FOR EACH ELECTION.

BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED. BALLOTS CANNOT BE HAND-DELIVERED.